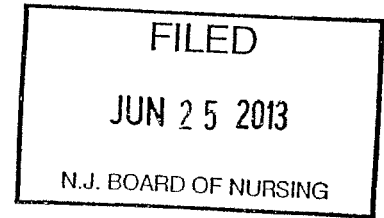


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF :	Administrative Action
:	:
KENYA N. THOMAS, L.P.N. :	:
LICENSE # NP 05354100 :	ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT
:	OF LICENSE
TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE :	:
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :	:

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (" Board") upon receipt of respondent's request for reinstatement of her nursing license, which had lapsed on May 31, 2011. Upon a review of respondent's application and the Criminal

History Background Check, it was ascertained that respondent had checked "no" on the background check form with respect to whether she had ever been arrested or convicted of a crime or offense. The results of the background check indicated that respondent had been arrested in 1998 on charges related to credit card theft, but had been admitted into a pre-trial diversionary program, and the charges were dismissed in 2001. Moreover, respondent subsequently revealed to the Board that in 2007 she had been charged with shoplifting two pieces of seafood from a supermarket, and was convicted of a local ordinance violation and fined a total of \$350.00 and assessed \$33.00 in costs.

The Board finds that respondent knew or should have known that by checking "no" on the background check form in response to the question about prior arrests and convictions she was furnishing inaccurate information to the Board, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that entry of the within order is appropriate, and is sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 25th day of June, 2013

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. A civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), and shall be

submitted along with this signed order in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey.

2. Respondent's petition for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in New Jersey is granted upon review and approval of a completed application for reinstatement along with the requisite fees and information, if not already submitted.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Patricia Murphy PhD APN
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C
Board President

I have read and understand
the within Consent Order
and agree to be bound by
its terms.

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